

GIRL FORCED FOR FINERY.

Nellie Moffet Turned Criminal to Buy Fine Clothes.

Nellie Moffet, who though only fifteen years old, showed the skill of a veteran forger, in a police station and afforded a strikingly new subject for specialists in juvenile delinquency. She went the greater part of the night and arose this morning in the rooms of the Gerry Society with her eyes red and a general air of misery. At the same time her father lay at 308 East Thirty-ninth street slowly dying and unconscious of the disgrace that had befallen his daughter.

So sure was Nellie's art that five of the checks she forged passed the trained scrutiny of the paying teller of the Mechanics' and Traders' National Bank, a feat which few handwriting experts could accomplish.

She had dreamed of all of this during the time she spent in the orphanage for girls, at Fifty-first street and Madison avenue. Out in the world not all was poverty and sorrow.

She left the orphanage seven months ago and went to the home of her aunt, Mrs. Kate Murray, in East Thirty-ninth street. There also are her little brother and sister and her father, who is suffering from paralysis of the brain. Nellie was employed at \$2 a week by Miss M. Leary, manufacturer of children's clothing, at 315 Broadway. This little money she gave to her aunt, who clothed and boarded her.

When she left the place she took several blank checks with her, and it is charged that she forged the first for \$5 and had it cashed at the bank. This was so easy that she passed others Nov. 21, 25, Nov. 27, \$50; Dec. 5, \$50, and Dec. 12, \$50.

Then she was discovered. On the very day that Miss Leary informed the bank of the forgeries Nellie had got a new book of checks, telling the paying teller that Miss Leary's book was exhausted. The girl went to the bank yesterday with a check for \$100 and was arrested.

Her only regret seemed to be that she would be prevented from doing her Christmas shopping. She said she had to do something to pay \$4 a week board while earning only \$2, but her good aunt says that is a falsehood.

"I've given that girl a mother's care since she left the asylum," said Mrs. Murray to-day. "And now she has brought this trouble upon us. She has always been unusually bright and is very plausible. She explained she was doing so well at her employer's that the woman presented her with finery and jewelry."

May Put Up Pan-American Banners.
Authorities of this city have granted permission to the Pan-American Exposition to erect two banners, one at Broadway and Twenty-third street and the other on Park row near the entrance to Brooklyn bridge. The former banner, bearing the inscription "Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, May 1 to Nov. 1, 1901," has already been set. The other will be put up in a few days.

CHASED GIRL'S ASSAILANT.

Father Found Man Who Threatened to Shoot Daughter.

Charles T. Williams, an artist, whose studio is in the Lincoln Building, at 1 Union square, was today arraigned before Magistrate Hogan on charges preferred by sixteen-year-old Ada Howard, of 36 Park avenue. Williams bore marks of conflict, his left eye being closed and swollen.

The story as told by Miss Ada Howard, who is a pretty brunette, was as follows: Last night she attended the Murray Hill Theatre. She walked with her friends up Lexington avenue to Fifty-third street, where she left them and went west towards Park avenue. As she reached the viaduct of the New York Central Railroad she heard the hurrying footsteps of a man in pursuit of her. She ran to her home. She pulled the door bell. The man seized her and threw her to the door of the vestibule. She screamed and the man said he would shoot her. She continued to resist and scream and the man fled.

Her father, dressed only in his trousers, shirt and stockings, ran down and found his daughter in a hysterical condition. Thinking that he was in danger he ran out with her to find her assailant. They went to all the nearby bars and did not find him. At Fifty-first street and Lexington avenue the girl pointed out Williams. Without more ado Howard picked up Williams and soon had him badly punished. The latter managed to break away from Howard and ran to his home and closed the outer door.

Howard stood guard at the door while he sent his daughter to the East Fifty-first street police station for an officer. Williams told Magistrate Hogan that the whole affair was a terrible mistake. He declared that he never saw Miss Howard before. He mother was in court and emphatically declared that the charge against her son was outrageous.

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ARRESTED TWO WOMEN IN SHOP.

Miss Rockwell, of Brooklyn, Held in New Haven.

(Special to The Evening World.)
NEW HAVEN, Dec. 18.—Miss Clara Rockwell, of Brooklyn, and her sister, Mrs. Charles Miller, of this city, whom she is visiting, were arrested last night in a department store charged with shoplifting.

A clerk said he saw one of the women conceal a fur collar beneath her golf cape. He notified the police. Several articles, alleged to be stolen, were found on Mrs. Miller.

For some time she has been under suspicion. In the City Court to-day the case against both women was continued until to-morrow.

OTTENDORFER'S FUNERAL.
Distinguished Men of Two Races Honor Noted Editor.

The funeral of Oswald Ottendorfer, late owner of the Staats Zeitung, was held to-day.

At 9 o'clock there were services at the house, 126 West Fifty-ninth street, at which were present only the family and immediate friends. At 11 o'clock the body was taken to Liederkreis Hall, in Fifty-ninth street, between Lexington and Park avenues.

Eulogies were pronounced by John De Witt Warner in English and George von Skul and W. E. Julius in German. Among the mourners were former Secretary of the Treasury Charles S. Fairchild, Justice Dugan, Randolph Guggenheimer, Jacob H. Schiff, Carl Schurz, Isidor Straus, Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy, former Mayor Edward Cooper and Justices Bischoff, McLean, Glagierich and Friedman.

The interment was at Greenwood.

IMMIGRANT FOUND DEAD.
Joseph Segal Asphyxiated at His Mother's Home.

Joseph Segal, twenty years old, came from the old country a few days ago and took quarters with his mother and brother at 118 Bowersy.

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